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STATE OF DELAWAREBOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, July 14 at 1:00 p.m.

PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware

Conference Room A, second floor of the Cannon Building

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL: August 11, 2015

MEMBERS PRESENT

Roberta Jackson, VMD, President Erin Whaley, DVM, Vice Chairperson Craig Stonesifer, DVM Patricia Ennis, Public Member Joanna Miller, LVT Ann Sellers, Public Member

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Eileen Kelly, Deputy Attorney General Shauna Slaughter, Executive Director Sandra Wagner, Administrative Specialist III

MEMBERS ABSENT

Lisa Garrison, LVT

ALSO PRESENT

Stacy Stewart, Deputy Attorney General Timothy Willard, Esq. Gloria D'Amore, Wilcox & Fetzer Dr. Jaine Weise Teresa Jilarers Megan Miller Melissa Steele, Cape Gazette

CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Jackson called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the minutes of the May 12, 2015 meeting. Ms. Ennis made a motion, seconded by Ms. Miller, to approve the minutes as written. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

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OLD BUSINESS

Review of Audits

The Board reviewed audits that came in late or needed more information. Ms. Wagner will send out final notices to the licensees that did not meet the CE requirement and approve the licensees that met the requirements.

Review of tabled Continuing Education

Dr. Jackson reviewed the following continuing education course. Dr. Jackson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Whaley, to approve the continuing education course.

American Holistic Veterinary Medical Association – 2015 AHVMA Annual Conference – 104 hours

By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Review and Deliberations on Hearing Officer's Recommendation

Dr. Jaine Weise – A court reporter was present to make a record of statements in support of exceptions made by counsel and Board deliberations. As a threshold matter, Board President Dr. Jackson recused herself as the contact person and Board Vice President Dr. Whaley recused herself due to knowledge of background facts with respect to the case. Due to the recusal of the two Board officers, Ms. Miller was elected to preside over the matter.

Dr. Weise was not present in the conference room prior to attorney statements. However, her attorney, Mr. Willard, Esquire, stated that he was prepared to proceed without Dr. Weise.

Ms. Stewart, Deputy Attorney General, made a statement in support of exceptions to the Hearing Officer recommendation, specifically requesting that the Board impose revocation of Dr. Weise's license. Prior to making his statement in support of exceptions, Mr. Willard, Esquire, attorney for Dr. Weise, requested that Dr. Jackson and Dr. Whaley leave the conference room, which they did. Mr. Willard offered that a shorter period of suspension would be appropriate in this case.

The Board began deliberations. During deliberations, Dr. Weise arrived in the conference room and Mr. Willard requested that she be permitted to address the Board, along with another witness. Ms. Stewart objected on behalf of the State and her objection was sustained.

At the close of deliberations, the Board unanimously voted to accept the Hearing Officer's recommendation with certain modifications. First, with respect to paragraph 2 on page 61 of the recommendation, Dr. Weise's license was suspended for a period of 4 years, effective as of July 14, 2015. With respect to paragraph 3, on page 61, Dr. Weise would be permitted to petition to have her suspension terminated not sooner than 24 months after the effective date of her suspension. With respect to paragraph 3(a) on page 62, CE certificates must be submitted to the Board, and with respect to paragraph 4, also on page 62, at the time that Dr. Weise's license is placed on probation, Dr. Weise shall submit for Board approval the name of a mentor to perform random, quarterly reviews of Dr. Weise's documentation, with such documentation to be provided to the Board, and during her period of probation, Dr. Weise shall appear before the Board on a quarterly basis.

Ratification of Applications of Veterinarian Licensure by Reciprocity

Dr. Jackson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Miller to ratify the following person for Veterinarians licensure by reciprocity:

Natalie Brown Jayme Paterson April Reid

Dwight RidenourElana RybakJoseph MeadowsKatherine HazzardMary WatersMatthew KeatsSarah JaySooichiro FukudaMatthew Weeman

Nageswara Bandreddi

By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

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Ratification of Applications for Veterinarian Licensure by Examination

Dr. Jackson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Whaley to ratify the following person for Veterinarians licensure by examination:

Chelsea NemecMisty WrightMichael PesatoSara BarlowePeri RosensteinAmanda OlsenAllison BuysseElizabeth PuliceAlexandra Gould

Melinda Spicer

By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Review of Application for Veterinarian Licensure by Examination

Dr. Jackson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Sellers, to approve Ms. Allison Gedney for licensure by examination after successful passing of the NAVLE.

By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Review of Application for Veterinary Technician Licensure by Reinstatement

Dr. Jackson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Miller, to approve Ms. Nicole Jones for licensure by reinstatement.

By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Review of Continuing Education Request

Dr. Whaley reviewed the following continuing education course. Dr. Jackson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Miller, to approve the continuing education course.

Academy of Veterinary Homepathy – Homepathy: A Seat at the Table – 17 hours

By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Status of Complaints

Complaint # 28-06-15 – Forwarded to the Attorney General's Office

Complaint # 28-04-14 - Closed by Investigator

Complaint # 28-07-15 – Forwarded to the Attorney General's Office

Complaint # 28-04-15 - Forwarded to the Attorney General's Office

Correspondence

Department of Health and Human Services

The Board read the correspondence. After discussion, Dr. Jackson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Miller, to draft a letter to be sent to the Department of Health and Human Services to include what the Board's Practice Act for any reference to Veterinary-feed directives or veterinary-client-patient relationship.

By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD (FOR DISCUSION ONLY)

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

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NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 11, 2015 at 1:00 p.m. in Conference Room A.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Dr. Jackson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Stonesifer to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 2:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Wagner

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Administrative Specialist III

The notes of this meeting are not intended to be a verbatim record of the topics that were presented or discussed. They are for the use of the Board members and the public in supplementing their personal notes and recall for presentations.